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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the document(s) identified in this paper and in the attached Form PTO/SB/08A during the course of examination of this application.

REMARKS

Listed below are foreign language documents for which an English translation is not available:

- (1) DE 197 52 843 A1; published July 1, 1997; Applicant: Byk Gulden Lomberg Chemische Fabrik GmbH
 - An English language abstract, following the cover page of this document, is provided by esp@enet. This document refers to, *inter alia*, compositions comprising pantoprazole and omeprazole.
- (2) WO 99/27917; published June, 10, 1999; Applicant: Byk Gulden Lomberg Chemische Fabrik GmbH
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- (3) WO 01/28559 A1; published April 26, 2001; Applicant: Eisai Co., LTD.
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- (4) WO 2004/035052 A1; published April 29, 2004; Applicant: Takeda Chemical Industries, LTD.
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- (5) WO 2004/080439 A1; published September 23, 2004; Applicant: Takeda Chemical Industries, LTD.
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	U	US-5,945,124	08-13-1999	Sachs et al.	
	V	US-5,997,903	12-07-1999	Dietrich et al	
	W	US-6,068,856	05-30-2000	Sach et al.	
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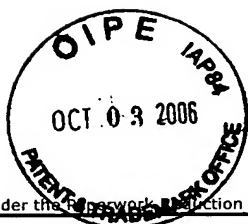
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	CC	EP 1 652 514 A1	05-03-2006	Kkai et al.		
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	SS	US-2003/0118650	06-26-2003	Lizcano Garcia et al.	
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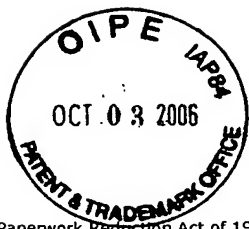
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